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SPRINKLER IRRIGATION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is running any scheme of sprinkler irrigation from solar energy for water efficient cultivation in canal area;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly in Rajasthan;

(c) whether the Government has recently taken steps to develop this system; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (d): The Government of implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation which includes sprinkler irrigation system for promotion of better water use efficiency in the country.The scheme does not envisage use of solar energy for this propose.The Government of Rajasthan has taken initiative for demonstration of micro irrigation system using solar energy in the canal area of Rajasthan and has proposed to establish 14 such units out of the assistance provided under the State Plan Scheme of Rashtria Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY).